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25X1 mentioned above was asked to report to the office on 30 July 1952. He was 25X1

25X1 directed to take the S-Bahn as far as the Berlin-Schoeneweide railroad station and then walk via Grossberliner Damm. 25X1

25X1 office concerned was in the area of Schoenefeld airfield. (1) There. 25X1

25X1 was taken to one Herr Bartel (fnu) 25X1

25X1 the inquiry made about him 25X1

25X1 had been satisfactory and that he was earmarked for an administrative job 25X1

25X1 with the new air force. He was also told that he need not worry about his 25X1

25X1 salary because he would not get less than in his previous position. 25X1

25X1 no official signs or stamps were to be seen 25X1

25X1 at the office. Also Herr Bartel apparently had no official rank.

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4. Placards observed in Kamenz indicated that athletic competitions were held by Air Volkspolizei and FDJ glider pilots on 2 and 3 August.
5. On 30 July, a brick wall was completed along the Kamenz-Zschornau road by Kamenz airfield. Two one-story barracks-like buildings were completed in the southern section of the field. They were surrounded by a board fence. Between 4 and 12 August, the wall along the western and northern field boundaries was nearing completion. Three brick buildings were observed in the southern section of the field. (5)

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Comments.

- (1) According to reliable reports, the main administration of the Air Volkspolizei is quartered in the reconstructed administrative buildings of the Berlin-Johannisthal airfield. The main entrance to the field is located on Gross-Bornimer Damm. Since Schoenefeld airfield is located about 10 km south of Johannisthal airfield the reported route to the field is not correct. Therefore, it is believed that Schoenefeld and Johannisthal airfields were confused in the present report.
- (2) Bartel is known to be the chief of the cadre department of the Main Administration Air.
- (3) This report contains the first indications of the existence of Air VP offices besides the main administration. Previously, no VPD was known to be located in Bautzen. However, it was repeatedly reported in connection with the HVA (Main Administration Training) that the Panzer Kaserne in Kamenz was occupied by Volkspolizei.
- (4) The Panzer Kaserne, formerly Albert Kaserne, is located at the northern exit of Kamenz, west of the road leading to Zschornau. The southern section of the barracks installation has been divided into two parts by a newly erected wall. Its western half was occupied by Soviet Army units and the eastern half by Volkspolizei. The northern section of the barracks installation had also been occupied by Soviet units which, according to another source, were transferred to Weissen, north of Dresden. From this it is inferred that the entire barracks installation will probably be occupied by the Kamenz Air VPD.
- (5) Kamenz airfield is located south of Zschornau, about 500 meters north-northeast of the Panzer Kaserne, east of the road to Zschornau. On 27 June 1952, reconstruction work started at the field. For latest report on status of field, see [redacted] Reconditioning of the field is undoubtedly connected with the VPD Air in the Panzer Kaserne. Hence, it is believed that the VP unit will soon start air training activity at the field.

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